Chicago Department of

UBLIC HEALTH



BUREAU OF DISEASE CONTROL Healthcare Settings Program

OUR MISSION

The Healthcare Settings Team prevents and responds to infections in healthcare settings such as acute care hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, assisted living facilities, and more to create an equitable, safe, resilient, and healthy Chicago.

EMERGING DISEASE MANAGEMENT

Epidemiologists on the team monitor data from multiple sources to identify new or concerning infectious disease threats to the healthcare systems. The team uses these data to guide safe delivery of patient care, prevent these diseases from spreading within and across healthcare settings, and facilitate the administration of vaccines and treatments.

LONG-TERM CARE FACILITY COVID-19 **BOOSTER PROJECT**



Media campaign to increase COVID-19 vaccine booster **uptake** featuring testimonials from long-term care staff ran on CTA routes and long-term care facilities

PROJECT FIRSTLINE COLLABORATION

522 nursing continuing education credits were awarded to Chicago healthcare workers as part of Project Firstline, a Centers for Disease Control national training program for healthcare workers to learn about infection control

IMPACT

1,700 Patient screening samples were collected to test for dangerous, difficult to treat bacteria and fungi in 2022

221 Potential outbreaks investigated and stopped in 2022

901 COVID-19 vaccines provided to highestrisk patients in 2022

73 Comprehensive onsite assessments done to ensure safe, quality healthcare delivery in 2022



RESOURCES

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